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DETECTING SPECIFIC PLANT GENUS IN
FOOD OR FOOD INGREDIENT

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Sir:

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An English translation of previously submitted "Allergy Busshitsu o Fukumu Shokuhin no Kensa Hoho ni Tsuite", Notice by Kaku Todofuken Chiji Kaku Seireishi Shicho Kaku Tokubetsuku Kucho Ate Kosei Rodosho Iyakukyoku Shokuhin Hoken Bucho, 6 November 2002, Shokuhatsu No. 1106001 is also submitted, Therefore a new Form PTO/SB08 showing that a translation is provided is also attached for the Examiner's convenience.

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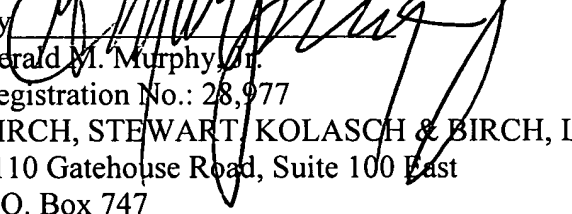
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